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## Muskegon Public Schools awarded funds for before and after school programs

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**LANSING** – The Muskegon Public Schools has received a \$375,064 grant from the Michigan Department of Human Services, announced Sen. Gerald Van Woerkom, R-Norton Shores.

"I want to congratulate Muskegon Public Schools on receiving this funding," Van Woerkom said. "Having before and after school programs is an important way for schools to reach out to their students and give a hand up to those who need it."

Muskegon Public Schools was one of 16 programs selected out of 50 applicants to receive the funds.

Children can be referred to these programs by a parent, teacher, counselor, police officer, judge or social worker. The project is supported by federal TANF funds and participating students must come from a family whose income does not exceed 200 percent of the federal poverty guideline. In 2005 this is \$16,090 for a family of three.

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